

**RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF LABOR & TRAINING
DIVISION OF PROFESSIONAL REGULATION
MECHANICAL BOARD**

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2008

9:00 A.M.

In attendance: Stanley Davies, Chairman

Jack King

Michael Januario

Timothy Byrne

John Webster

Dennis Brennan

Edward Whitaker, Sr. Chief

Ben Copple, Legal

Not in attendance: Michael Carreiro

Bobby Joe Harris

Quinlan T. Regan

Raymond Freitas

Meeting was called to order at 9:15 am by Stanley Davis.

We will dispense with the reading of last months minutes until after the hearings.

Hearings:

1) Steve's Heating (viol# 3465) Stephen E. Lane-

All parties are sworn in. Ted Whittaker reads the violation:

On January 21, 2008, Steve's Heating sent Kevin Swist, 134 Ocean Avenue, Swansea, MA 02777 to service the heating system at 119 Hummock Avenue, Portsmouth RI. Mr. Swist is not properly licensed to service heating systems. This is one (1) violation of RIGL 28-27-28-"practices for which a license is required", also on January 21, 2008 it was brought to RIDLT's attention that the required insurance was not in effect. This is one violation of RIGL 5-65-2 (10).The board questioned Mr. Whittaker.

Stephen Lane, Steve's Heating addressed the board.

The board questioned Mr. Lane.

John Vitkevich, owner of the property addressed the board.

The board questioned Mr. Vitkevich.

A motion was made that a violation of RIGL 28-27-28 did occur based on testimony and documented evidence by Tim Byrne and seconded by Dennis Brennan. Passed unanimously by the board.

A motion was made that a violation of RIGL 5-65-2 (10) did occur based on testimony and documented evidence by Tim Byrne and seconded by Mike Januario. Passed unanimously by the board.

A motion that the fine of \$500.00 for violation of RIGL 28-27-28 be upheld was made by Tim Byrne and seconded by John Webster.

Passed unanimously by the board.

A motion that the fine of \$500.00 for violation of RIGL 5-65-2(10) be upheld was made by Tim Byrne and seconded by Dennis Brennan.

Passed unanimously by the board.

Fines totaling \$1000.00.

2) Allied Fire Protection-(viol# 3500) Michael A. Haigh, Vice President

All parties are sworn in. Ted Whittaker reads the violation:

On June 25, 2008, Mr. Cliff Whiting, City of Providence Mechanical Inspector noticed three individuals working on fire protection system at Johnson & Wales University, 265 Harborside Road, Providence, RI. These three individuals work for Allied Fire Protection. They are Anthony Olson, Tim Moretti, and Matt Bertrand. These three individuals are not licensed to do fire protection installations in RI. There are three (3) violations of RIGL 28-27-28-“practices for which a license is required”, each violation is \$500.00 for a total of three (3) violations in the amount of \$1500.00. Also there was no permit obtained from the City of Providence, this is a violation of RIGL 28-27-20-“State and Municipal inspections and installation permits”, for a fine of \$500.00. Total fines of \$2000.00.

Michael Haigh, VP, Allied Fire Protection addressed the board.

The board questioned Mr. Haigh.

A motion was made that three (3) violations of 28-27-28 did occur based on testimony by John Webster and seconded by Mike Januario. Passed unanimously by the board.

A motion was made that the fine of \$1500.00 for three (3) violations be upheld by John Webster and seconded by Jack King. Passed unanimously by the board.

A motion that there is a violation of 28-27-20 did occur based on testimony was made by John Webster and seconded by Mike Januario. Passed unanimously by the board.

A motion that the fine of \$500.00 for violation 28-27-20 be upheld was made by John Webster and seconded by Tim Byrne. Passed unanimously by the board.

End of hearings.

A motion to accept the minutes from the last meeting was made by Tim Byrne and seconded by John Webster. Passed unanimously by the board.

Update on the CCRI curriculum for HVAC licensing, 2 year program, Ted Whitaker told the board that this was on hold, that the SAC did not accept the curriculum and that he would be meeting with CCRI next week.

Update on the upcoming public hearing for the rules & regulations to include the limited Fire Protection Master 2 and Fire Protection Journeyman 2, there is still no date on the public hearing.

Update on National Grid and the effect on the oil companies in this state.

A motion to adjourn was made by John Webster and seconded by Mike Januario.

The meeting adjourned at 10:10 am.

The next meeting will be on Wednesday, October 1, 2008